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**NOTICE OF APPEAL AND REQUEST  
FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)**

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**METHOD OF DETERMINING THE  
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Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Examiner made in the Final Office Action dated July 15, 2003 finally rejecting claims 7 and 9 to 13.

Applicants also respectfully request a **three-month extension of time** in which to respond to the Final Office Action of July 15, 2003, for which a three month response period expiring on September 15, 2003 was set. The three-month extended period for response expires on January 15, 2004.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the 37 C.F.R. § 1.191 Notice of Appeal fee of **\$330.00** and the 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) three month extension fee of **\$950.00** to the deposit account of **Kenyon & Kenyon**, deposit account number **11-0600**.

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